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SUBJ: UNFDAC FUNDING OF INTERPOL LIAISON OFFICER POSITIONS

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1. MISSION OFFICER PAID CALL ON UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DE BEUS AUGUST 29, UPON RECEIPT OF BACKGROUND MATERIALS, TO RAISE QUESTION OF UNFADC FUNDING OF INTERPOL NARCOTIC LIAISON OFFICER POSITIONS IN SOUTH AMERICA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA. HE POINTED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTEL THAT US INITIALLY FUNDED PROGRAM WITH \$135,000 GRANT TO INTERPOL IN DECEMBER 1974, THAT FUNDING WILL BE DEPLETED BY LATE 1977, THAT US BELIEVES PROGRAM HAS PROVEN VALUABLE, BUT THAT US BELIEVES UNFDAC IS MORE APPROPRIATE SOURCE OF FUNDING THAN USG. MISSION OFFICER PROVIDED BACKGROUND MATERIALS TO MR. DE BEUS FOR STUDY PREPARATORY TO HIS RESPONSE.

2. MISSION OFFICER AGAIN DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH MR. DE BEUS AUG.31 AND LEARNED THAT, DESPITE MERIT OF PROPOSED PROGRAMS, LATTER BELIEVES PROPOSAL WOULD CREATE SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES FOR UNFDAC IN FOLLOWING THE GUIDANCE PROVIDED IT BY LAST CND WITH RESPECT TO FUNDING POSITIONS IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. (CND REPORT ON THE 27TH SESSION, E/CN.7/605, P. 95, PARA 489). HE NOTED THAT FUND, IN COMPLYING WITH THIS GUIDANCE, HAS ABOLISHED FUNDING FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POSITIONS IN WHO, IN UNESCO AND IN THE INCB. (REF B)
HE BELIEVED THAT THE ASSUMPTION NOW BY THE FUND OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING TWO INTERPOL POSITIONS WOULD BE STEP IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION.

3. MR. DE BEUS NOTED THAT SECRETARY GENERAL NEPOTE OF INTERPOL HAD APPROACHED FUND EARLIER BY LETTER DATED

JAN. 24, 1977 REQUESTING INTER-ALIA FUNDING FOR PUBLICATIONS, FOR A REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN THE CARRIBBEAN, AND FOR ADRUG LIAISON OFFICER IN THE CARIBBEAN. ALTHOUGH THE FUND WAS ABLE TO ASSIST WITH THE PUBLICATIONS IT REGRETFULLY DECLINED THE OTHERS BECAUSE THEY DID NOT MEET ITS CRITERIA. (COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE BEING POUCHED IO/HDC.)

4. COMMENT. WHILE RECOGNIZING DESIRABILITY OF INTERPOL FIND FUNDING FOR TWO NARCOTIC LIAISON OFFICER PROGRAMS IN QUESTION, MISSION BELIEVES THAT IN LIGHT OF SPECIFIC GUIDANCE PROVIDED UNFDAC BY CND ON SUBJECT OF FUNDING POSITIONS IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, UNFDAC WOULD NOT BE AN APPROPRIATE SOURCE. DEPARTURE FROM ITS POLICY OF IMPLEMENTING THAT GUIDANCE WOULD BE LIKELY TO DRAW CRITICISM FROM PARTICIPANTS AT NEXT CND, PARTICULARLY, IN CASE OF INTERPOL, FROM EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES, MOST OF WHICH DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THAT ORGANIZATION. END COMMENT.VANDEN HEUVEL

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